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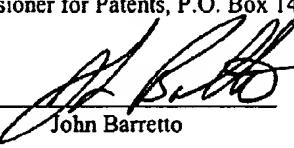
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Madam,

In response to the Office Action, mailed March 24, 2004, in the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments in this request for reconsideration. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following claim amendments, because they present the claims in better form for consideration. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is submitted concurrently herewith.